was inaugurated in June, 1986 in Anand Parbat, Delhi; and

(b) if so, what action is proposed to be taken against the owner for running an unauthorised Discotheque?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Proprietor of the Restaurant was challaned for unauthorisedly running a discotheque. Stay orders, however, have been granted by the Delhi High Court.

Review of working of Zonal Councils

2237. SHRI KRISHNA KUMAR BIRLA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any review of the working of the Zonal Councils set up under the States Reorganisation Act, 1986; and

(b) if so, to what extent these Zonal Councils have achieved the objective for which these were set up and, in the light of the experience gained, what changes are contemplated by Government to make these Councils more relevant to the prevailing situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The Zonal Councils have provided a useful forum for discussion of and making a coordinated approach to, important economic development, socio-economic problems of the member-states relating to planning and other matters of common interest. Efforts are made to hold regular meetings of the Councils and their Standing Committees. The machinery of the Zonal Councils has *in-buit* system of review of the progress made in the implementation of their recommendations by the concerned State Governments and/Central Ministries. There is no proposal at present change the set-up of the Councils and their functions.

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Setting up of separate Courts for conducting trials of terrorists

2238. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering any proposal to set up separate courts for conducting trials of terrorists; and

(b) whether Government are considering other measures to firmly deal with the menace of terrorism and with communal elements, if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF STATES (SHRI GHULAM NABI AZAD): (a) The terrorist and Disruptive Activities (Prevention) Act, 1985 already provides for the trial of offences viz. terrorist acts and disruptive activities by the Designated Courts.

(b) The situation is kept under constant review in consultation with the State Governments. It is for the State Governments to take necessary administrative measures to firmly deal with the menace of terrorism and with communal elements. The Central Government provides necessary assistance. Guidelines have been issued to the State Governments/U.Ts. for controlling communal distrurbances and promotion of communal harmony.

Surrender by sikh terrorists after crossing over from Pakistan

2239. SHRI B. SATYANARAYAN REDDY: Will the HOME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that over 300 Sikh terrorists have recently crossed over from Pakistan and surrendered to the security forces narrating tales of torture and physical abuses at the hands of Pakistani intelligence authorities;

(b) if so what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Pakistan has recently set up two new training camps near the famous Hajipur pass and Cheraf; and

(d) if so, what are the details thereof and what action Government have taken